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Applicant hereby respectfully petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time to respond to the Office Action (Paper No. 9) dated September 25, 2003 for a period of three (3) months from December 25, 2003 to and including March 25, 2004.

A continuation application is being filed concurrently herewith and our check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks in the amount of \$ 2,260.00 (\$950.00 to cover the cost of the extension and \$1,310.00 to cover the continuation filing fee and additional claims).

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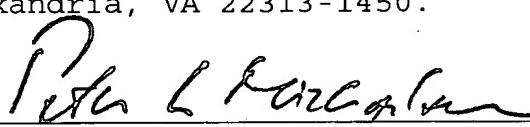
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